



# Ted Stevens

United States Senator for Alaska

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- Fill out one request form for each request
- This form (and any attachments) can be returned via:

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Mail - The Honorable Ted Stevens  
United States Senate  
522 Hart Senate Office Bldg.  
Washington, D.C. 20510**- Requests are due by February 15, 2008.**

## FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Survey Backlog (Ocean Services LLC)

Project Location: Seattle, WA

## Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

There is a strong continuing need to address the hydrographic survey backlog in the waters off Alaska and in the Gulf of Mexico. In 2007 NOAA initiated a new survey approach called the Performance Efficiency Program (PEP), which surveyed over 700 nautical miles of difficult survey areas at a cost savings of 40% over NOAA in-house survey operations and 60% over traditional short-term hydrographic "turnkey" contracts. The PEP involves contracting with a U.S. purpose-built survey vessel. The PEP allocates a relatively larger amount of contract dollars to accomplish a substantially larger amount of surveying, resulting in greater economies of scale and improved efficiency over the other NOAA survey options.

Related Appropriations Bill: CJS

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: \$34 million

**Total** funding to complete this project: \$34 million

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: \$0

Matching funds from local and private entities:

\$0

List legislation that authorizes this project:

N/A

**Check all that apply:**

- ☐ A change in the current law is necessary in order to proceed with the project. (If so, attach language and a list of laws that need to be amended)
- ☐ Bill or report language is needed. (If so, attach requested language)

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

FY02-08 CJS - \$26,355,000 for FY08 and ranging from \$27,000,000 to \$32,500,000 per fiscal year during FY02-07.

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: \$31,173,000

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: \$0

☐ Check this box if state funding was sought but not provided.